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## **RESPONSE TO MAY 16, 2007 FINAL OFFICE ACTION** IN U.S. PATENT APPLICATION NO. 10/649,073

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Sir:

This responds to the May 16, 2007 Final Office Action in the above-identified application.

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The time for responding to the May 16, 2007 Office Action without extension was set at three months, or <u>August 16, 2007</u>. This Response is timely filed within <u>two months</u> of the May 16, 2007 Office Action.

Please amend the claims of the above-identified patent application as set out in Section I (Amendments to the Claims) hereof.

Remarks concerning the amendments to the claims and the substance of the May 16, 2007 Office Action are set out in Section II (Remarks) hereof.